

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1095

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served October 22, 1970

Application of D. C. Transit	)	Application No. 653
System, Inc., for 60-Day	)	
Extension of Temporary Authority	)	
to Operate Rockville-Gaithersburg	)	
Line, Route R-1.	)	

In Order No. 1053, issued June 26, 1970, we authorized D. C. Transit System, Inc. (Transit) to operate a new Rockville-Gaithersburg service, Route R-1, for a 120-day period. The service was requested by the Montgomery County Department of Community Development in order that the residents of several low-cost housing developments could have public bus transportation.

Transit has applied for an extension of authority to operate this service for 60 days beyond the original 120-day period. Transit has also requested reimbursement from the riders' fund we established in Order No. 773, for losses it anticipates will be incurred due to present low patronage of the service. During the additional 60-day period efforts will be made by the Montgomery County Department of Community Development and the company to secure a subsidy from the County which would permit the operation of the service on a permanent basis. In addition, the company wishes to use the time to experiment with the routing of buses used in this service to serve the temporary court house facility at the Danac Building on Shady Grove Road.

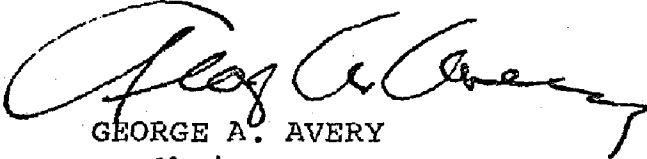
We will approve the application both with respect to the extension of time and with respect to the use of riders' fund monies to reimburse the company for the difference between its out-of-pocket costs for operating the service and the revenues collected in the service. We expect that during the period we have authorized the service to be operated, the company and the Commission staff will explore the possibilities suggested for putting the service on a viable permanent basis.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the application of D. C. Transit System, Inc., for authority to operate the Rockville-Gaithersburg line, Route R-1, for a period of 60 days beyond the 120-day period authorized by Order No. 1053, be, and it is hereby, granted.

2. That D. C. Transit System, Inc., be, and is hereby authorized to debit the "Reserve for Commission-ordered Projects" established by Order No. 773, and contra-credit the relevant expense accounts for 1970 for any excess of out-of-pocket costs of operating Route R-1 over the amount of revenues collected on that route during the sixty-day period beginning October 27, 1970, and ending December 25, 1970, after audit and approval by the Chief Auditor of the Commission. After such audit and approval, Transit is hereby authorized to transfer cash in the amount of such excess of cost over revenue out of its escrowed funds into its operating cash accounts.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:



GEORGE A. AVERY  
Chairman